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RE: Converse County Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Robinson,

We are writing in regards to the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Converse County Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS). Oil and gas production is a cornerstone of Wyoming's economy and a primary driver of growth in our local communities. The BLM estimates that the Converse County Oil and Gas Project (CCOGP) would bring approximately 8,000 new jobs to our state and up to \$28 billion in revenues and economic activity. The timely consideration of this project is vital to our state, local communities, and the energy security of the entire nation.

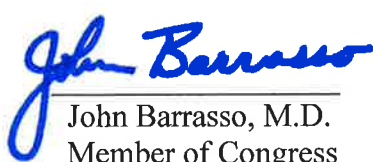
We encourage the agency to issue a Final EIS that is consistent with the most recent executive and secretarial orders providing guidance on domestic energy production. In particular, the Final EIS should fully account for Presidential Executive Order 13783 and the Department of the Interior Secretarial Orders 3349 and 3360. The final EIS should also recognize the ongoing work by the State of Wyoming to implement State management principles including recent guidance regarding Greater Sage-Grouse Core Area Protection. In addition, we believe the final EIS should issue clear guidance for year-round development to maximize the economic benefits of the CCOGP while minimizing disturbance to wildlife habitats.

Given the overwhelming positive benefits of this project to our state, we urge you to complete the EIS and issue a Record of Decision in as timely a manner as possible. We appreciate the opportunity to highlight the importance of this project for the State of Wyoming and look forward to the BLM's prompt finalization of the EIS.

Sincerely,



Michael B. Enzi  
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